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TRANSPONDER COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM))

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IN THE CLAIMS

Amend claims 1-8.

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1. (Once Amended) A unit for providing messages emanating from a remote station to a user, comprising a transponder section for communicating with the remote station by a wireless mode of communication, and a data processing section, wherein the transponder section includes means for storing an identification code that are responsive to an interrogation signal from the remote station to emit an identification signal bearing the identification code, means that are responsive to incoming data signals including an address code, which may be the same as or derived from the identification code, and means for providing the incoming data to the data processing section, and wherein the data processing section includes means for providing an audio and/or visual output for the user of the unit, further characterized in that the unit further comprises means responsive to the audio output to generate a modulated signal for emitting externally of the unit.